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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
ECONOMIC DEFENSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

10:30 a.m. Friday, April 5, 1957
Room 1213 Maiatico

Attendance:

MDAC

Mr. Hale, Chairman
Mr. Levin
Mr. Wight
Mr. Kramer, Executive Secretary
Mrs. Huver, Committee Secretary

Defense

Mr. Martino
Col. Green

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Mr. Slaght

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State

Mr. Wright
Miss Worthing

Commerce

Mr. George

Treasury

Mr. Pollak

Agenda:

1. Discussion of State Department Negotiating Tactics Paper
2. Consideration of Executive Committee transmittal to EDAC
3. Question of forum into which U.S. proposal should be introduced

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1. Discussion of State Department Negotiating Tactics PaperDecision

The negotiating tactics paper, as revised at this meeting, met with the approval of all members.

Discussion

This paper consisted of a memorandum to the Chairman of the Executive Committee from the State Department member, entitled "China Trade Controls" and, attached thereto, an "Outline for U.S. Proposal for Revision China Trade Controls". The State member pointed out that this paper is a check list of the points that should be included in the approach to the participating countries when the U.S. proposal for the revision of China trade controls is presented to them. It is included as EDAC D-127/6f in the package being prepared for EDAC consideration.

2. Consideration of Executive Committee transmittal to EDACDecision

The transmittal memorandum, entitled "Proposal for Implementing Paragraph 21 of NSC 5704/1", as revised at this meeting, was approved by all members.

This memorandum describes the papers which have been prepared for EDAC consideration on the revision of China trade controls. It also requests that EDAC determine which sectors and items should constitute the U.S. position and to consider and approve an outline of negotiating tactics. It will serve as the cover memorandum to the entire package presented to EDAC (EDAC D-127/6g).

3. Question of forum into which U.S. proposal should be introducedDecision

The Executive Committee agreed that differences of view with respect to the forum into which the U.S. proposal should be introduced made it necessary to have a resolution of the problem before an EDAC meeting is held to review the reference papers. Therefore, it was understood that the Department of State would let the other agencies know when it has taken a position on this matter or, if it so desires, put the matter before EDAC for consultation and advice.

Discussion

The forum into which the U.S. proposal for the revision of China trade controls should be introduced was discussed. Some members felt that it should be put directly into the Consultative Group, and others felt that it should be introduced into CHINCOM until proper focus could be put on the policy aspects that would have to have Consultative Group settlement.

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